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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Examiner: N. Morrison

TOSHIO TETSUKA, et al.

Art Unit: 3632

Application No.: 10/616,170

Filed: July 7, 2003

For: ASSISTING APPARATUS FOR

CHANGING SPEEDS IN A BICYCLE

TRANSMISSION

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Commissioner:

The applicant respectfully requests an extension of time of one month to respond to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2004. An appropriate response in the form of an amendment is enclosed herewith.

Form PTO-2038 authorizing credit card payment of the fee of \$110 is enclosed.

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